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Summary Information

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Biographical Note

Walter K. Jordan was born approximately 1783 and was married to Betsy, with whom he had some children, living in Mercer County, Pennsylvania. He enlisted as a private in the 19th U.S. Infantry on March 10, 1812. He was promoted to corporal, then sergeant in the War of 1812, serving at the garrison of Fort Wayne, Indiana Territory. He was taken prisoner by Indians during the fall of Fort Dearborn, on Lake Michigan, near Chicago, Illinois, in 1812. He escaped and returned to Fort Wayne, which was besieged after he arrived, then relieved by the arrival of William Henry Harrison. He was discharged from service April 6, 1814.

Information found within the collection.

"Jordan, Walter K.". Indiana Magazine of History. June 1943: 187-199. Retrieved 2015/03/04. http://scholarworks.iu.edu/journals/index.php/imh/article/view/7536/8786

"Jordan [Jourdan], Walter K.". U.S. Army, Register of Enlistments, 1798-1914. Retrieved 2015/03/04. http://search.ancestrylibrary.com

Scope and Contents

This collection includes a photostat of an autographed, signed letter and a typed transcript of a letter from Walter K. Jordan in the Indiana Territory ranging from 1812/10/12-1812/12/17 regarding war and personal matters.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged chronologically.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Subject(s)

- Correspondence
- Indiana--History--War of 1812